MENT (SHRI KINJARAPPU YERRANNAIDU) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Comments of the Government of Orissa in this regard are given below :

"Migration of labourers to nearby states in searcl. of batter wages is not an unusal feature, Therefore, the allocation that the people . have migrated due to Government's failure to provide them work is not correct. A large number of employment oriented works are under execution in drought affected areas of the State through anti-poverty programmes particularly Jawahar Rozgar Yojana, Employment Assurance Scheme in addition to labour intensive works executed with Calamity Relief Fund.

The State Government is quite alive to the situation prevailing in the State and has taken all steps to prevant migration & starvation deaths. Adequate employment opportunities have been created through massive launching of labour intensive works. Provision of Gratuitous Relief, Emergency feeding, Old Age Pension, Widow Pension, disability pension and various other feeding programmes have also been made".

(c) The quantum of funds allotted (central allocation) to Orissa, Madhya Pradesh and Bihar during 1995-96, 1996-97 and 1997-98 under the wage employment programmes viz. Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY), Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS); Self Employment Programme viz. Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP), Training of Rural Youth for Self Employment (TRYSEM); and Rural Housing Scheme viz. Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) are given below :

(i) **JRY & EAS (Rs. in lakhs)**

	JRY			EAS (release)		
	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
Orissa	24514.35	11274.49	12597.20	11460.00	16427.55	3164.58
Madhya Pradesh	40895.57	17611.61	19677.78	22940.00	22670.17	4722.25
Bihar	62878.54	27260.46	30458.60	16230.00	21245.00	4570.00

(ii) **IRDP & IAY (Rs. in lakhs)**

	IRDP			IAY		
Orissa	3381.92	3381.92	3993.81	7873.25	7195.91	6534.30
Madhya Pradesh	5282.69	5282.69	5457.47	14172.99	11240.56	10207.08
Bihar	8109.12	8102.12	8377.41	21349.01	17398.92	15799.23

(iii) **TRYSEM (Rs. In lakhs)**

	(Central release)		Recurring Expenditure 1997-98 (upto
	1995-96	1996-97	July 31,97)
Orissa	202.47	199.51	100.92
Madhya Pradesh	505.57	360.40	189.45
Bihar	424.99	248.30	17.80

Railway Projects

328. PROF. AJIT KUMAR MEHTA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the railway projects for which foundation stones were laid and inauguration ceremonies held since the inception of the United Front Government;

(b) the expenditure incurred thereon so far on advertisements in various news papers, Printing of posters making arrangements for each of the foundation and inauguration ceremonies;

(c) whether there is any outstanding payments to be made on accounts of (b) above.

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which these outstanding payments are likely to be cleared ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) to (e) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Introduction of OCB Exchanges

329. SHRI ISWAR PRASANNA HAZARIKA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to introduce OCB exchanges to replace E 10-B exchanges;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the criteria on which locations of new OCB exchanges are determined; and

(d) the number of OCB exchanges functioning/under installation in various circles, circle-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) New Technology exchanges including OCB are planned for locations where the present demand is generally 10,000 or more and is likely to grow around 50,000 in next three to four years.

Remote line units parented to main OCB exchange are planned within 30 Km. of the main exchange if demand is 2000 or more.

(d) As on 31.3.97 eighty five OCB telephone exchanges are functioning in the country. Circle-wise details are placed at Statement-I

OCB telephone exchanges have been planned for sixty five cities in the country for the year 1997-98. Circle-wise details are placed at Statement-II and III.

Statement-I

List of number of extra Large OCB telephone exchanges functioning in the country as on 31.3.97.

S.No.	Circle/District	No. of Exchanges
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2
2.	Calcutta	3
3.	Chennai	2
4.	Gujarat	1
5.	Himachal Pradesh	4
6.	Haryana	1
7.	J & K	4
8.	Kernataka	5
9.	Kerala	5
10.	Maharashtra	8
11.	Madhya Pradesh	4
12.	North East	1
13.	Punjab	2
14.	Rajasthan	1
15.	Tamil Nadu	2
16.	U.P. (East)	5
17.	U.P. (West)	2
18.	West Begnal	2
19.	Mumbai	21
20.	Delhi	10
	Total	85

Statement-II

	S.No.	Station
1	2	3
Andhra Pradesh	1.	Hyderabad
	2.	Calcutta
	3.	Chennai
	4.	Panipat
Himachal Pradesh	5.	Dharmsala
	6.	Mandi
	7.	Solan
J & K	8.	Srinagar
	9.	Jammu
Karnataka	10.	Belgaum